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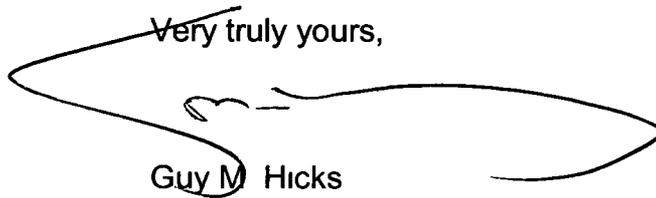
Hon Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37238

Re: Petition for Arbitration of ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. with
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Pursuant to the
Telecommunications Act of 1996
Docket No. 03-00119

Dear Chairman Tate

Enclosed are the original and fourteen copies of BellSouth's *Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File Final Best Offers*. BellSouth has discussed this request with local counsel for DeltaCom and confirmed counsel has no objection. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,



Guy M Hicks

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BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee

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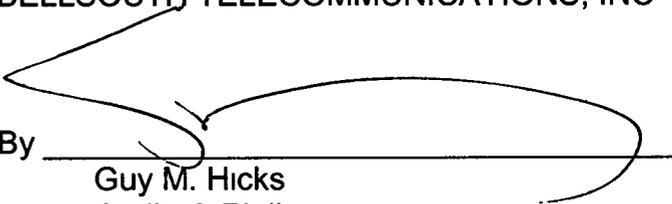
**UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO FILE FINAL BEST OFFERS**

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc ("BellSouth") respectfully requests that it be given an extension to file its *Final Best Offers* in this matter. Currently, *Final Best Offers* are due today, February 18, 2004. BellSouth requests that it be allowed to file its response on Friday, February 20, 2004. BellSouth needs this additional time to finalize its positions. BellSouth has discussed this request with local counsel for DeltaCom and confirmed counsel has no objection.

Respectfully submitted,

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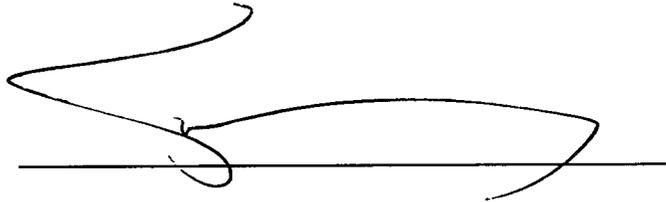
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